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Applicant's Docket No. 49429 (71526)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Endou et al.  
Application No.: 09/424,347 Group No.: 1646  
Filed: July 18, 2000 Examiner: J. Murphy  
For: ORGANIC ANION TRANSPORTER AND GENE CODING FOR THE SAME

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SUBMISSION OF "SEQUENCE LISTING," COMPUTER READABLE COPY,  
AND/OR AMENDMENT PERTAINING THERETO  
FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY INVENTION CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE  
AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE

(check and complete this item, if applicable)

1. ☒ This replies to the Office Letter DATED March 8, 2002.

NOTE: If these papers are filed before the office letter issues, adequate identification of the original papers should be made, e.g., in addition to the name of the inventor and title of invention, the filing date based on the "Express Mail" procedure, the application number from the return post card or the attorney's docket number added.

☒ A copy of the Office Letter is enclosed.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSON MAKING STATEMENT

2. I, Christine O'Day  
(type or print name of person signing below)

state the following:

ITEMS BEING SUBMITTED

3. Submitted herewith is/are:

(check each item as applicable)

- A. ☒ "Sequence Listing(s)" for the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence(s) in this application.  
Each "Sequence Listing" is assigned a separate identifier as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(c) and 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.822 and 1.823.
- B. ☐ An amendment to the description and/or claims, wherein reference is made to the sequence by use of the assigned identifier, as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(d).

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C. ☒ A copy of each "Sequence Listing" submitted for this application in computer readable form, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.821(e) and 1.824.

D. ☐ Please transfer to this application, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(e), the computer readable copy(ies) from applicant's other application identified as follows:

In re application of:

Application No.: 0 /

Filed:

For:

Group No.:

Examiner:

The Computer readable form(s) of applicant's other application corresponds to the "Sequence Identifier(s)" of the application as follows:

Computer Readable Form

(other application)

"Sequence Identifier"

(this application)

NOTE: "If the computer readable form of a new application is to be identical with the computer readable form of another application of the applicant on file in the Office, reference maybe made to the other application and computer readable form in lieu of filing a duplicate computer readable form in the new application. The new application shall be accompanied by a letter making such reference to the other application and computer readable form, both of which shall be completely identified." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(e).

E. ☒ A statement that the content of each "Sequence Listing" submitted and each computer readable copy are the same, as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(g).

☐ Because the statement is not made by a person registered to practice before the Office, the Statement is verified as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(b).

F. ☒ Because this submission is made in fulfilling the requirement under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(g), a statement that the submission includes no new matter.

☐ Because the statement is not made by a person registered to practice before the Office, the statement is verified, as required in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.821(g).

**STATEMENT THAT "SEQUENCE LISTING"  
AND COMPUTER READABLE COPY ARE THE SAME  
AND/OR THAT PAPERS SUBMITTED INCLUDES NO NEW MATTER**

4. I hereby state:

(complete applicable item A and/or B)

- A. ☒ Each computer readable form submitted in this application, including those forms requested to be transferred from applicant's other application, is the same as the "Sequence Listing" to which it is indicated to relate.
- B. ☒ All papers accompanying this submission, or for which a request for transfer from applicants' other application, introduce no new matter.

### STATUS

5. Applicant is

☐ a small entity.

☒ other than a small entity.

### EXTENSION OF TERM

6.

*NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.*

*If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of Dec.10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).*

*NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 C.F.R. Section 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.*

7. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 apply.

*(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)*

(a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440.00	\$ 720.00

Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- [ ] An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

OR

- (b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

#### FEE PAYMENT

8. [ ] Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- [ ] Charge Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

#### FEE DEFICIENCY

9.

*NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, 1065 O.G. 31-33.*

10. [X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.

#### SIGNATURE(s)

Christine O'Day  
(type or print name of person signing statement)

Christine O'Day  
Signature

5-14-02  
Date

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- ☐ Inventor
- ☐ Assignee of complete interest
- ☐ Person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee
- ☒ Practitioner of record
- ☐ Filed under Rule 34(a)
- ☐ Registration No.
- ☐ Other

*(complete the following, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(type name of assignee)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of assignee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee

A "STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. Section 3.73(b)" is attached.

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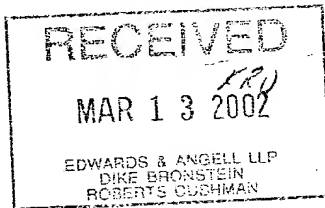
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**Sequence Rules**

This application contains sequence disclosures that are encompassed by the definitions for nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences set forth in 37 CFR 1.821(a)(1) and (a)(2). However, this application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.821 through 1.825 for the reason(s) set forth on the attached Notice To Comply With Requirements For Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence And/Or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures.

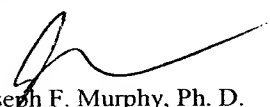
Applicant is given ONE MONTH from the mailing date of this letter within which to comply with the sequence rules, 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in ABANDONMENT of the application under 37 CFR 1.821(g). Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no case may an applicant extend the period for reply beyond the SIX MONTH statutory period. Direct the reply to the undersigned. Applicant is requested to return a copy of the attached Notice to Comply with the reply.


**Advisory Information**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Joseph F. Murphy whose telephone number is 703-305-7245. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler can be reached on 703-308-6564. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-305-3014 for regular communications and 703-308-0294 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-0196.

  
Joseph F. Murphy, Ph. D.  
Patent Examiner  
Art Unit 1646

  
DAVID S. ROMEO  
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Application No.: 09/124349

**NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):

- ☐ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990.
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- ☒ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked-up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 7. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Must Provide:**

- ☒ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
- ☐ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- ☒ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

For Rules Interpretation, call (703) 308-4216

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